During the month of February, the Ikeda Library has celebrated African American History Month with a series of book displays throughout the second floor. Before the month is up, make sure to stop by the library and browse through the display books that honor the significant history of African Americans in this country. Books incorporated into the display include works such as *Freedom’s Daughters: The Unsung Heroines of the Civil Rights Movement from 1830 to 1970* and *Afrolantica Legacies*. For more information about African American History Month, visit the Library of Congress African American History Month website.

In the upcoming month of March, the library displays will switch gears and observe Women’s History Month. To learn more about the month of March dedication to women’s history, visit the Library of Congress Women’s History Month website. Stay tuned for exciting books and films that honor women who fought for equal rights and those individuals who continue to advocate for present issues concerning the female sex.

The staff at the Ikeda Library would like to take this opportunity to remind students, faculty, and staff of the large Music Online database that features music from all over the world. Music Online is a database available to the Soka community that houses a collection of music searchable by album, instrument, and time period etc. Users at Soka can even create their own personal playlists after registering and signing in. Please take a moment to visit this extensive and unique database in order to take advantage of the music-related scholarly content it offers.

In closing, the Ikeda Library staff is happy to announce a series of policy changes enacted to better serve the Soka community. First off, don’t forget that students can now scan for free at the library. Scanned documents can be saved to USB drives or even emailed from the scanner to your inbox. Stop by the library circulation desk and ask for a scanner card to utilize this patron service. Certain circulation policies have now been altered to ensure user-friendliness. Instead of only being able to renew library material online two times, patrons can now renew material online up to three times. In addition, patrons can now renew library material with fourteen or fewer days left on the check-out period of the item. Please visit http://ikedalibrary.soka.edu/circulation.html for a complete listing of library policies.